

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant(s): Hartwig Preckel

Serial No.: 10/542,437

For: METHOD FOR FILLING SAMPLE CARRIERS

Filed: March 24, 2006

Examiner: Jan M. Ludlow

Art Unit: 1797

Confirmation No.: 2752

Customer No.: 27,623

Attorney Docket No.: 175.8246USU

**Mail Stop AF**  
**COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS**  
**P.O. Box 1450**  
**Alexandria, VA 22313-1450**

Dear Sir:

**AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL TRANSMITTAL**

We are enclosing a response to the communication dated August 17, 2010 in the above-identified application.

Petition for extension of time pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.136 and 1.137 is hereby made if, and to the extent, required. The fee for this extension of time is calculated to be \$\_\_\_\_\_ to extend the time for filing this response until \_\_\_\_\_.

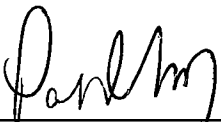
The fee for any change in number of claims has been calculated as shown below.

CLAIMS AS AMENDED						
	Claims Remaining After Amendment		Highest Number Previously Paid	Present Extra	Rate	
Total Claims	17	Minus	20	0	x \$52.00	\$
Independent Claims	2	Minus	3	0	x \$220.00	\$
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM FEE				x \$390.00 = \$		
TOTAL FEE FOR CLAIM CHANGES				\$0.00		
1/2 FILING FEE FOR SMALL ENTITY				\$N/A		

The total fee for this amendment, including claim changes and any extension of time is calculated to be \$ \_\_\_\_\_ .

X The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees under 37 C.F.R. §§1.16 and 1.17 which may be required with this communication or during the entire pendency of the application, or credit any overpayment, to **Deposit Account No. 01-0467**.

November 17, 2010  
Date

  
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**AMENDMENT**

Dear Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action dated August 17, 2010, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Listing of the Claims** begins on page **2** of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page **6** of this paper.